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Art Unit: 2800

AMENDMENT

In re application of:

Thomas H. Turpin, et al.

Application No.: 10/645,695 (Divisional of

USSN 09/755,836)

Filed: August 20, 2003

PRODUCTION OF PEPTIDES For: INPLANTS AS VIRAL COAT PROTEIN

FUSIONS

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request that the following Preliminary Amendment be considered prior to examination of the above-cited application. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.